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THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

February 7, 1975

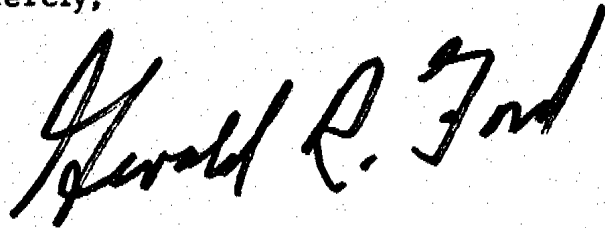
Dear Mr. President:

Thank you for your message of congratulations on the confirmation of Nelson Rockefeller as Vice President of the United States.

The Vice President and I very much appreciate your thoughtfulness in writing and your warm words of encouragement.

May I also take this opportunity to convey to you my admiration for the way your countrymen are resisting North Vietnamese attacks. My Administration will continue to support you and the South Vietnamese people in your valiant struggle for peace and self-determination.

Sincerely,



His Excellency
Nguyen Van Thieu
President of the Republic of Vietnam
Saigon

NSC REFERRAL TO STATE SECRETARIAT

Date: Feb 7, 1975

MEMORANDUM FOR:

GEORGE SPRINGSTEEN
EXECUTIVE SECRETARY
DEPARTMENT OF STATE

NSC LOG# 0158

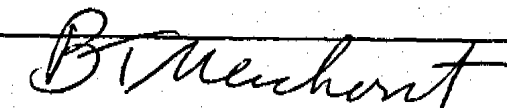
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TO: Nguyen Van Thieu

FROM: Pres Ford

DATE: Feb 7, 1975

SUBJECT:

ACTION REQUESTED: DRAFT REPLY FOR: PRESIDENT'S SIGNATURE WHITE HOUSE STAFF SIGNATURE OTHER DIRECT REPLY FURNISH INFO COPY XXX DISPATCH RECOMMENDATIONS/COMMENTS TRANSLATION APPROPRIATE HANDLING INFORMATION FOR ADDITIONAL PROCESSING AS INDICATED:DUE DATE:URGENT XROUTINE COMMENTS: for JEANNE W. DAVIS
Staff Secretary

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MEMORANDUM

THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

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ACTION

February 6, 1975

MEMORANDUM FOR: THE PRESIDENT
FROM: HENRY A. KISSINGER *HK*
SUBJECT: Reply to a Letter to You from
President Thieu

President Thieu has written congratulating you on appointing Nelson Rockefeller as Vice President and expressing satisfaction that the Vice President was confirmed by the Congress (Tab B).

A suggested reply for your signature is at Tab A. Your reply thanks President Thieu for his letter and assures him of our continued support in meeting the Communist threat in South Vietnam.

Paul Theis has seen the draft letter and concurs.

RECOMMENDATION:

That you sign the draft reply at Tab A.

MEMORANDUM

NATIONAL SECURITY COUNCIL 0158

ACTION

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January 28, 1975

MEMORANDUM FOR:

SECRETARY KISSINGER

FROM:

KENNETH M. QUINN *KMQ*

SUBJECT:

Reply to a Letter to the President from
President Thieu

President Thieu has written to the President (Tab B) congratulating him on appointing Nelson Rockefeller as Vice President and expressing satisfaction that the Vice President was confirmed by the Congress.

At Tab I is a memorandum from you to the President transmitting a suggested reply (Tab A). The President's suggested reply thanks President Thieu for his letter and assures him of our continued support in meeting the Communist threat in South Vietnam.

Paul Theis has seen the draft letter and concurs.

RECOMMENDATION:

That you sign the memorandum to the President at Tab I.

[Signature]
Dick Smyser concurs.

*Tab I filed
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*Embassy of Viet Nam
Washington, D. C.*

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December 20, 1974

My dear Mr. President:

I have the honor to transmit to you the following message from His Excellency Nguyen Van Thieu, President of the Republic of Vietnam:

QUOTE: DEAR MR. PRESIDENT:

I WISH TO CONVEY TO YOUR EXCELLENCY MY WARMEST CONGRATULATIONS UPON THE APPOINTMENT OF THE HONORABLE NELSON A. ROCKEFELLER AS VICE-PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA.

I SHARE YOUR JOY AND SATISFACTION TO SEE A DEDICATED AND EXPERIENCED STATESMAN LIKE THE HONORABLE NELSON A. ROCKEFELLER CONFIRMED BY THE UNITED STATES CONGRESS TO THIS HIGH POSITION.

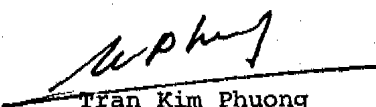
I AVAIL MYSELF OF THIS OPPORTUNITY TO RENEW TO YOUR EXCELLENCY THE ASSURANCES OF MY HIGHEST CONSIDERATION.

SIGNED: NGUYEN VAN THIEU

PRESIDENT OF THE REPUBLIC OF VIETNAM. UNQUOTE

Please accept, Mr. President, the assurances of my highest esteem.

Truly yours,


Tran Kim Phuong
Ambassador

His Excellency Gerald R. Ford
The President
The White House
Washington, D.C.

JOINT NATIONAL SECURITY COUNCIL/STATE SECRETARIAT REFERRAL/RESPONSE FORM

MEMORANDUM FOR: George S. Springsteen
Executive Secretary
Department of State

Date: _____

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for JEANNE W. DAVIS
Staff Secretary

DUE DATE: _____

MEMORANDUM FOR: Lt. Gen. Brent Scowcroft
National Security Council
The White House

Date: January 8, 1975

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Pursuant to the above referral we
are transmitting with this memorandum:

The attached item was received by
the Department of State:

Draft reply for:
_____ President's signature
_____ Other signature

_____ We believe no response is
necessary

_____ Information copy of direct
reply

X A draft response is attached

_____ Translation

_____ A draft response will be
forwarded

REMARKS Transmitted herewith is a recommended
Presidential response to the recent letter of congratulations
from President Nguyen Van Thieu, Republic of Viet-Nam,
concerning the confirmation of Vice President Rockefeller.

(for) *George S. Springsteen*
GEORGE S. SPRINGSTEEN
Executive Secretary

To: The President From: President Thieu

Subject: No Objection To Declassification in Full 2011/05/02 : LOC-HAK-61-3-6-4

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SUGGESTED REPLY

Dear Mr. President:

Thank you for your message of congratulations on the confirmation of Nelson Rockefeller as Vice President of the United States.

The Vice President and I very much appreciate your thoughtfulness. Your words of encouragement will remain with us both as we take up our work in the New Year.

Sincerely,

Gerald R. Ford

His Excellency
Nguyen Van Thieu,
President of the Republic of Viet-Nam,
Saigon.

Department of State